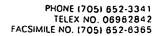
ROCK DENSITY

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November 8, 1990

Mr. Rod MacLeod Brohm Mining Corporation P.O. Box 485 Deadwood, South Dakota USA 57732

Dear Mr. MacLeod:

Re: Specific Gravity and Bulk Density Determinations

The specific gravity determinations in Lakefield Research's Project No. 3687, Progress Report No. 1 were conducted on pulverized material using an air comparison pycnometer (Bechman Model 930), which measures true volume and hence specific gravity. I have enclosed a few pages describing the unit and procedure.

The in-situ density of the samples was determined using a wax immersion procedure which determines the volume of the sample (length of core) including voids. I have enclosed a copy of our procedure.

Yours sincerely,

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Procedure # 4-6

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STANDARD PROCEDURES

Definition:

Bulk density of a sample is the weight of the sample divided by the volume of the sample <u>including voids</u>.

Procedure:

- (1) Weigh each sample.
- (2) Coat the sample with parawax heated in a container immersed in boiling water. N.B. Never heat parawax directly on a hot plate.
- (3) Repeatedly immerse the sample in the parawax until completely sealed. Avoid heating the sample.
- (4) Place the waxed sample in a measured volume of water and record the displaced volume.
- (5) Weigh the waxed sample.
- (6) Freeze the sample to remove the wax.

Calculations:

- (1) Weight of wax = weight of sample + wax minus weight of sample.
- (2) Volume of wax = weight of wax divided by S.G. (0.8913).
- (3) Volume of sample = volume of sample + wax minus volume of wax.
- (4) Bulk density (g/mL) = Weight of Sample divided by Volume of sample.

Example:

Sample No.	Wt. of Sample g	Wt. of Sample + Wax, g	Wt. of Wax g	S.G. of Wax	Vol. of Wax + Sample mL	Vol. of wax mL	Vol. of Sample mL	Bulk Densit
1	100.00	108.75	8.75	0.8913	54	9.82	44.18	2.26
2	158.53	171.51	12.98		84	14.56	69.44	2.28
3	110.60	113.94	3.34		47	3.75	և3.25	2.5ć
4	102.31	107.91	5.60		45	6.28	38.72	2.6
5	117.81	123.98	6.17		61	6.92	54.08	2.16
6	338.32	352.02	13.70	Y	143	15.37	127.63	2.6

I. INTRODUCTION

The Beckman Model 930 Air Comparison Pyconometer measures the volume of powdery, granular, porous and irregularly-shaped solids, rapidly and precisely. The manually-operated Pycnometer requires no power source, no wetting of the sample, and no gas pressure determinations. An accuracy exceeding 0.1 cc is readily attainable within a total analysis time of only a few minutes, and the two major limitations to accuracy (air leakage or heat transfer from, or to, the sample) are immediately apparent as pointer drift. Further, a purging facility is provided so that samples may be measured in appropriate gaseous atmospheres.

After a short period of instrument familiarization, the operator should be able to obtain volume measurements repeatable to better than ± 0.05 cc. Two precision-ground steel balls supplied with the instrument provide a convenient standard for checking instrument accuracy. They also give the operator known volumes with which to learn the operation of the instrument, for which no special training is required. The instrument reads digitally in tenths of a cc for total volumes up to 50 cc.

 Λ gas purging accessory, External Purge Manifold Attachment, is described in Section 9 and illustrated in Figure 4.

2. SPECIFICATIONS

Catalog Number: 93001 — Manually Operated

Starting Number: Stamped on plate above Measuring Handwheel.

Size of Sample Approximately 50 cc volume (38.1 mm I.D. by Container: 41.3 mm deep).

Accuracy: Better than 0.1 cc. Experienced operator may

obtain accuracies bette than .05 cc.

Relative

Humidity Range: Less than 50%.

Ambient

Temperature Range: Between 15-35°C. (59-95°F)

Readout: Digital counter provides direct readout from 0 to

50 cc in increments of 0.1 cc. The counter has 4 digits, reading in cc from left as follows:

First three digits -- Whole Numbers

Fourth digit -- In Tenths

Graduated Scale -- In Hundredths

Corrosion Resistance: Materials in contact with sample are aluminum,

bronze, and neoprene.

Purge Facility: Helium (or other gases) can be used to purge

the instrument. Admit gas at 2 psig (13.8 kPa)

or less.

Overall Dimensions: 6" × 9" × 101/4" (152 mm × 228 mm × 266 mm).

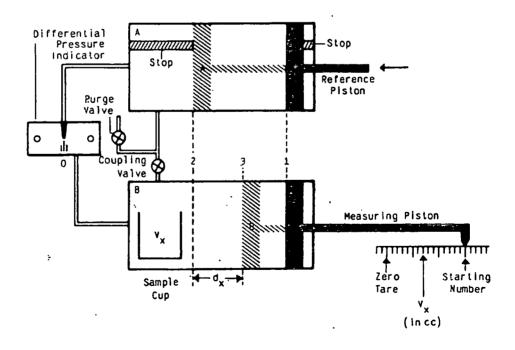
Made for desk use.

Weight: 14 pounds (6.35 kg).

3. PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

There are two chambers and two pistons as sketched in Figure 1. For purposes of illustration, the chambers are assumed to be equal in volume, and there is no sample in either cylinder. With the connecting valve closed, any change in the position of one piston must be duplicated by an identical stroke in the other in order to maintain the same pressure on each side of the Differential Pressure Indicator. If the connecting valve is closed and both pistons are advanced the same amount to position 2 with a sample $(V_{\boldsymbol{x}})$ inserted in chamber B, the pressures will not remain the same. However, the pressures in the two chambers can be made equal by withdrawing piston B from position 2 to position 3, an amount equivalent in volume to $V_{\boldsymbol{x}}$. If piston A always is advanced exactly the same distance each time a measurement is made, the distance that piston B differs from position 2, when the pressures in both cylinders are equal, will always be proportional to the volume of $V_{\boldsymbol{x}}$.

The distance between positions 2 and 3 (d_X) can be calibrated and made to read directly in terms of cubic centimeters. A digital counter is employed to indicate the distance d_X , so that the instrument can be read directly in cubic centimeters.



1. Simplified Schematic Diagram

4. APPLICATIONS

The true volume of a sample (the volume enclosed by its outer surface and excluding its open pores) is measurable by this instrument. From this volume the true density is calculated.

The apparent volume (the volume of a sample enclosed by its outer surface plus the volume of its open pores) is measurable by the Pycnometer if the pores first are filled. The pores are filled by immersing the sample in a molten wax bath until the bath and sample reach temperature equilibrium. The sample is removed from the bath and the droplets are shaken from the material. The wax-impregnated sample is cooled to ambient temperature prior to measurement with the Pycnometer. After the apparent volume has been measured apparent density is calculated.

Since both true and apparent volumes of the sample are measurable by the instrument, the open pore volume (the difference between true and apparent volumes) is readily determined. Open pore volume frequently is used as an index of porosity.

The specific gravity of a sample—which is the ratio of the sample density to water at 4° C — is readily computed, since the Pycnometer provides a rapid method for volume measurement. Sample weight is determined in the usual manner. Specific gravity serves as a useful criterion for substance classification and quantitative analysis.

4.1 MODES OF OPERATION

The Pycnometer is capable of several different modes of operation depending on the nature of the material to be measured. By the use of its volume measurement capability, the widest application of the instrument is in determination of densities and specific gravities. Measurements of volume also provide a useful index for establishing shrinkage during a chemical or physical change.

A general discussion of volume measurements and operational modes follows in this section. Stepwise procedure for the various modes of operation is given in Section 5.

The simplest operational mode uses room air as the gas and requires no pipe or tubing connections. Measurements are made by starting at initial pressures of one atmosphere and compressing the gas to two atmospheres. This method is suitable for the analysis of non-surface active, non-compressible materials. This procedure is given in Paragraph 5.2.

Compressible materials are best measured at atmospheric pressure. Paragraph 5.3.1 delineates this procedure. Expansion of the material at 1/2 atmosphere, which occurs during the operating cycle, introduces errors. The magnitude of such errors is a function of the shape and elasticity of the material. Empirical calibration curves can be made by comparing the Pycnometer results to accepted standards. When destructive testing is not objectionable and a grain volume (for grain density determinations) is desired, the sample should be reduced to particles smaller than any enclosed pores and measured in the usual 1 to 2 atmosphere method. In some cases, increased surface area may cause the material to be surface active.

Surface-active materials absorb some or all of the constituents of air. In extreme cases, such as highly surface-active materials, negative volumes may be obtained when using air and any of the operating procedures described above. Less active materials will usually give lower than true volumes.

The null indicator may be observed to be drifting for minutes after balance is believed to have been reached. (Drifting, however, may be due to other factors, as outlined in Trouble-Shooting, Section 6.) In general, if the Pycnometer drifts toward smaller indicated volumes with a sample but is stable with an empty cup or when using a calibration ball, the trouble is due to a surface-active material.

Many surface-active materials can be accurately measured by using helium in place of air. Other inert gases may be used although helium is more universally applicable.

As when air is used, the simplest purge operating procedure is the 1 to 2 atmosphere technique. This procedure is given in Paragraph 5.3.2. Some more highly surface-active materials exhibit adsorption characteristics at 2 atmospheres. In these cases, the 1 to 1/2 to 1 atmosphere purge operating technique in Paragraph 5.3.3 should be used.

Some highly active materials may, when using any of the above techniques, exhibit drift in either direction and give low or high volumes. Reasons for this behavior are not fully understood. In general, longer evacuation times or successive evacuation and inert gas fillings with the sample in place will allow measurement of these materials.

5. OPERATING PROCEDURE

5.1 GENERAL

The Model 930 Air Comparison Pycnometer (Figure 2) should be in approximate temperature equilibrium with its surroundings. Both sample and sample cup should be within 5°F (15°C) of instrument temperature; under these conditions, the zero measurement (on the counter) need be checked only before the first of several measurements in a given series. If the instrument is substantially above or below ambient temperature, maximum accuracy is achieved by taking a zero reading before each measurement, adding (or subtracting) the zero reading to (or from) the final reading. A calibration check may be made periodically. For detailed instructions on zero-measurement check and calibration check, see Paragraphs 5.4 and 5.5.

The most frequent source of non-repeatable results comes from failure to clamp and lock the sample cup FIRMLY in place in the sample compartment. A recommended standard procedure is to forcefully push down the sample holder handle (8, Figure 2) with the palm of the hand until the absolute stop has been reached.

If the Pycnometer has not been in use for several hours, an advisable procedure is to run both pistons in and out with their handwheels two or three times before measurements. When doing so, open the coupling

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2. Bulk Densities To Be Used In Tonnage Calculations

The weighted averages of the Bechtel results, rounded up to the nearest 0.1 cu ft/ton, are used for sulfide ore densities.

Oxide ore densities are determined by multiplying sulfide ore densities by 0.96 (based on Twin City Test results) and rounding up.

Any potential differences between ore and waste densities are assumed to be insignificant.

Density of "mixed" ore is assumed by convention to be half-way between oxide and sulfide density.

A table of the bulk densities to be used , in cu ft/ton, by ore type and rock type is given below:

Rock Type	Codes		Sulfide	Mixed	Oxide
Trachyte porphyry/ breccia	50, 70	60	12.5	12.8	13.1
Deadwood form/ Precambrian	10, 30,		11.2	11.4	11.7
Quartz trachyte porphyry	80,	85	11.5	11.7	12.0

ATTACHMENT 1

TWIN CITY TEST RESULTS

1. OXIDE DENSITIES VS. SULFIDE DENSITIES:

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Breccia ore	2.44	2.39	98.0
		Mean s.d.	96.4 1.9

2. ORE DENSITIES VS. WASTE DENSITIES:

ROCK TYPE	ORE DENSITY	WASTE DENSITY	WASTE/ORE (%)
Trachyte por. & breccia sulfide	2.49	2.47	99.2
Trachyte por. & breccia oxide	2.42	2.33	96.3
		Mear	97.8
		s.d.	

ATTACHMENT 2

SUMMARY OF GILT EDGE DENSITY MEASUREMENTS

12.47 CUFT/TON

AVERAGE DENSITY TRACHYTE PORPHYRY:

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			YTE PORPHYRY			CUFT/TON	
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	V3	D88-67		3.0	93	12.66	1177
	V 4	D88-67		2.7	8.4	12.66	1060
	٧s	D88-67		2.6	81		
	V6	D88-69		2.5	78		966
	V7	D88-69		2.5	78	12.41	962
	V8	D88-69		2.5	78	12.76	989
	V 9		160.4	2.1	65	13.02	848
	V10	D88-72		3.6	112	18.51	1396
	C 1	D88-65	211.0	3.0	93		1128
		D88-66	185.6	2.8	87		1053
		D88-67	305.8	3.4	105		1279
		088-68	532.7	2.8	87		
		D88-69	733.4	2.9	90	12.13	
		D88-70	156.5	2.7			
		D89-72	1008.7	3.3	102	12.13	1241
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		088-68	582.7	2.8	87	12.13	1053
		D88-69	733.4	2.9	90	12.13	1090
		D88-70	156.5	2.7	84	12.13	1015
		D89-72	1008.7	3.3	102	12.13	1241
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		D88-71	90.0	2.3	71	11.12	793
		D88-71	109.5	2.1	65	11.12	724
		088-71	161.2	2.7	94	11.12	931
		D88-71	180.0	2.8	87	11.12	965
		D88-71	183.5	2.8	87	11.12	965
		D88-71	100.4	3.1	96	11.12	1069
	C5	D88-68	668.2	2.6	81	11.16	899
	02	D88-68	672.9	2.3	71	11.16	796
		D88-68	680.7	2.6	81	11.16	899
		D88-68	685.0	2.0	62	11.16	692
		D88-68	157.4	2.8	97	11.16	969
AVERAGE	11.13			SUMS	1075		11529
AVERAGE	11.12			SUMS	1035		11569
Qtrpor	C7	D88-68	802.2	2.6	81	11.44	922
		D88-69	644.5	2.5	78	11.44	887
		D88-69	648.0	2.5	78	11.44	887
		D88-68	782.0	13.5	419	11.44	4788.
AVERAGE	11.44			SUMS	654		7483

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AVERAGE	11.44			SUMS	654		7483

INTRODUCTION

This report covers the investigation of the recovery of gold from Brohm Mining's Gilt Edge Expansion Project. The testwork was requested by Mr. I. Callow of Bechtel Incorporated.

The main objectives of the test program were as follows:

- 1. Select and optimize the main recovery process and generate the process parameters.
- 2. Improve the recovery of gold from gravity concentrates and flotation concentrates.
- 3. Determine the suitability of SAG mill grinding and provide data for sizing the mills.
- 4. Determine the variability in grinding and leaching characteristics of the ore within the trachyte porphyry zone.
- 5. Determine the variability in grinding and leaching characteristics of other ore types (Composites No. 4, 5, 6 and 7).

LAKEFIELD RESEARCH

KJ.SLH

A.C.T. Bigg, P. Eng. Senior Engineer

D.P. Evans Project Metallurgist

SUMMARY

1. Feed Samples

Five different ore samples were used for the laboratory and pilot plant testwork. The ore was recovered from 2000 feet of 6 inch drill core from eight different holes drilled in Brohm's sulphide ore body. The five ore types studied were as follows:

Table No. 1: Sample Description

Composite	Ore Types	Quantity Received
Number		Kg (approximate)
C1	Trachyte Porphyry	280
C4	Cambrian Deadwood Hornfels	320
C5	Precambrian Schist	200
C6/C6-B	Trachyte Porphyry from Pit	260
C7	Quartz Trachyte Porphyry	322
V1-V10	Selected Trachyte Porphyry	385
\square	Drill Core	17200
OPS	Open Pit Sulphide	19500

The open pit sulphide represented the sulphide ore exposure in Brohm's present oxide pit and the DC composite represented underground ore from the same ore body. The DC composite was used on the test ore in the SAG mill/ball mill circuit. Table No. 2 summarizes the variation in the head grade, ball and rod mill work indices and the in-situ bulk densities of the various ore types.

Table No. 2 - Summary of Head Assay. Work Indices and In-situ Bulk Densities

Product	Assay		Specific	Work	Work Indices		
	Au, g/t	Ag, g/t	S, %	Gravity	Ball Mill	Rod Mill	Density
·				(g/mL)	(metric)	(metric)	(g/mL)
V1	0.38	2.2	3.09	2.91	14.7	17.4	2.47
V2	0.85	8.0	6.80	2.81	13.1	14.4	2.55
V3	1.13	<2.0	1.84	2.65	16.9	18.2	2.53
V4	5.92	13.0	4.77	2.74	14.7	16.5	2.53
V5	0.57	3.0	4.55	2.71	17.1	17.0	2.56
V6	1.67	<2.0	1.30	2.61	17.8	20.2	2.57
V7	0.55	<2.0	0.03	2.62	19.6	15.3	2.58
V8	4.78	<2.0	2.09	2.66	16.9	18.6	2.51
V9	0.45	<2.0	2.26	2.65	19.7	23.2	2.46
V10	0.25	<2.0	1.11	2.63	19.7	22.0	2.56
C1	3.16	2.2	3.88	2.71	18.4	22.1	2.64
C4	0.99	<2.0	4.21	2.91	20.0	24.1	2.88
C5	1.00	<2.0	0.98	2.88	14.8	17.9	2.87
C6	0.22	<2.0	2.36	2.67	16.2	21.8	2.54
C6-B	2.32	5.5	3.07	2.64	16.9	17.9	2.28
C7	1.76	3.7	1.84	2.64	20.4	23.8	2.80
DC Comp	2.07	5.2	5.16	2.76	14.9	18.0	

Ag assay <2.0 g/t

2. Grinding Tests

2.1 General

Due to the limited quantity of drill core available initial grinding parameters were established using the open pit sulphide (OPS). Once these conditions were established the drill core composite (DC comp) was run. The DC comp was blended by Brohm to represent the trachyte porphyry (C1 composite).

As summarized in Table No. 3, the DC comp was prepared at Lakefield Research to give the same weight proportion of the individual size fractions as the open pit sulphide.

July 10, 1987

To: Contractors

From: D.E. Stewart

Subject: In Place Rock Density and Specific Gravity

Abrasion Index, Impact Work Index, Bond Work Index

The attached information represents results from Twin City testing of rock types from the Gilt Edge Site. Wet density is in lbs/cubic feet for In Place Density. Specific gravities were also analyzed. Each sample has 3 pieces to represent the different rock types. The following is a list of rock types that each sample represents.

Sample 1 = Trachyte Oxide Waste

Sample 2 = Trachyte Oxide Ore

Sample 3 = Trachyte Sulphide Waste

Sample 4 = Trachyte Sulphide Ore

Sample 5 = Trachyte Breccia Oxide Ore

Sample 6 = Trachyte Breccia Sulphide Ore

Sample 7 = Rhyolite Sulphide Waste

Sample 8 = Rhyolite Oxide Waste

A second report is attached of test work completed by Allis Chalmers. Test results include an Impact Work Index, Abrasion Index, and Bond Work Index for ore type materials.

D. E. Stewart



REPORT OF:

RAPID CITY SD 57702 PHONE GGS 348 5850

BULK DENSITIES OF CORE SAMPLES

PROJECT:

GILT EDGE MINE

REPORTED TO:

Gilt Edge Inc. P O Box 485 Deadwood, SD 57732 DATE: 5-8-87

FURNISHED BY:

COPIES TO:

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WET DENSITY:	146.1	148.1	141.9	138.8	158.1	161.8	153.3	157.2	151.4		
SPECIFIC GRAVITY:	2.34	2.37	2.27	2.22	2.53	2.59	2.46	2.52	2.4		
AVERAGES (3)											
Wet Density Specific Gravity		145.4 2.33	145.4 2.33			5	154.0 2.47				
SAMPLE NUMBER:	132	4 127	134 *	21+	<u>5</u> 24	25+	474	6 470	473		
WET DENSITY:	155.7	159.7	182.2	148.9	149.3	149.5	153.4	150.4	153.75		
SPECIFIC GRAVITY:	2.50	2.56	2.92	2.39	2.39	2.40	2.46	2.41	2.46		
AVERAGES (3)											
Wet Density Specific Gravity		157.9 2.5			149. 2.	2 39		152.4 2.44			

^{*} Samples were not used as an average due to large differences in unit weights. The difference was due to voids and mineralogical composition.





RAPID CITY SD 57702 PHONE 605/348 5850

REPORT OF:

BULK DENSITIES OF CORE SAMPLES

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SAMPLE NUMBER:

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WET DENSITY:

144.8 149.5 146.4

267

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SPECIFIC GRAVITY:

2.32 2.40

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AVERAGES (3)

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REMARKS:

The above samples were submitted to personnel of TCT and received here on 5-3-87.

TWIN CITY TESTING CORPORATION

Mgr - Geotechnical Engineer EIT

Rapid City office

JAB/ew

ALLIS-CHALMERS PROCESS RESEARCH AND TEST CENTER

TEST REPORT

Test No	87-032	Charge No0	1-6102-52747	Date Reported <u>4/17/87</u>
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		Gild Edge	Mine	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Test Requested by	/M_	T. Erickson	Div	E & MS
References		····		
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Weight		(1 x 5 Gal. Pail)		
Description				
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Type of Test		pact Crushability To nnsylvania Abrasion		
Equipment Used		nd Twin Pendulums In nnsylvania Abrasion		ester
Test Results	-	pact Work Index		(8.7 Metric)

Samples to be discarded on July 31, 1987.

By E.J Les

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ALLIS-CHALMERS BOND TWIN FENDULUMS IMPACT CRUSHING TEST

MATERIAL SUBMITTED BY ROCK

BROHM MINING CO.

GILD EDGE MINE

TEST NO. 87-032

DATE 4-13-87

SFE	CIMEN	TH	ICKNESS	WEIGHT	FRODUCT	ANGLE AT	FT*LB	WORK
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3	14	68.	2.58	912.	4.	40.	7.2	7.1
4	22	65.	2.56	85 8 .	3.	65.	18.5	18.4
5	24	65.	2.56	840.	3.	75.	23.7	23.6
6	23	67.	2.64	818.	10.	75.	23.0	22.9
7	13	61.	2,40	386.	3.	35.	6.2	6.1
8	10	70.	2.76	712.	3.	35.	5.4	5.3
9	15	66,	2.50	724.	4.	40.	7.4	7.3
10	3	70.	2.76	608.	3.	20.	1.8	1.8
11	20	58.	2.28	386.	4.	45.	10.5	10.4
12	1	60.	2.36	3 87.	3.	15.	1.2	1.2
13	17	79.	3.11	942.	2.	45.	7.7	7.7
14	19	57.	2.24	734.	2.	40.	8.5	8.5
15	4	63.	2.48	533,	3.	25.	3,1	3.1
15	6	62.	2.44	414.	2.	30.	4.5	4.5
17	19	65.	2.5১	522.	2.	45,	9.4	9.3
18	2	58.	2.28	633.	2.	15.	1.2	1.2
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23	21	73.	2.87	709.	3.	٤0.	14.3	14.2
24	7	62.	2.44	395.	2.	30.	4.5	4.5
AVE	RAGE		2.55	613.96	3.1		7.99	7.9
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AVE	ERAGE		2.54	609.41	2.8		7.58	7.5
STI	D.DEV.		0.18	159.30	0.7		5.06	5.0
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SPECIFIC GRAVITY= 2.61

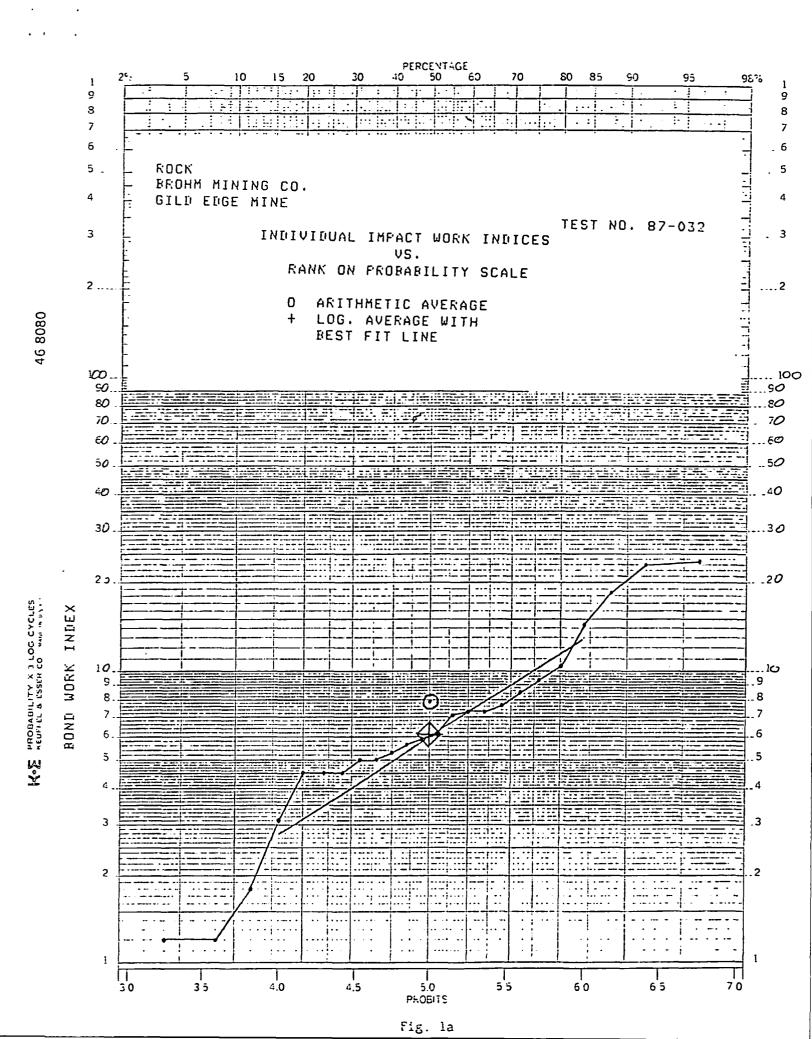
BOND WORK INDEX (W.I.)= 7.9 +/- 2.4

=2.59*(FT*LB/INCH)/SPGR +/- 95% CONFIDENCE INTERVAL W.I.METRIC (W.I.M.) = 8.7 + /- 2.6 = 1.1023*(W.I.)

WHEN RANKED AND PLOTTED AS LOG(W.I.) VS. PROBABILITY, THE BEST FIT STRAIGHT LINE HAS A PROBABILITY OF 84.1% WITH W.I. LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 13.0

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SIEVE ANALYSIS MATERIAL ROCK

SUBMITTED BY BROHM MINING CO.

GILDEN MINE

TEST NO.87-032 DATE 4/13/87

ALLIS-CHALMERS

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P.O. Box 7685 5217 Major Street Murray, Utah 84107-0685 Phone: 801-262-0922

August 28, 1985

Mr. Richard T. Hall Lacana Gold Incorporated 2005 Ironwood Parkway, Room 105 Coeur d' Alene, Idaho 83814

Subject: Specific Cravity Measurements for Your Samples R.R.#8,

R.R.#26, and R.R.#41. Our Project No. P-1045 J.

Dear Mr. Hall:

The specific gravity for the three samples that were received August 27, 1985 were:

Sample Description Specific Gravity R.R. #8 2.58 R.R. #26 2.62 R.R. #41 2.58

These specific gravity measurements were made with 50 to 60 grams of sample in a LeChatelier specific gravity bottle filled with kerosine displacement fluid and maintained at a constant temperature.

We appreciate working with you. If you have any questions, please contact us.

Sincerely,

DAWSON METALLURGICAL LABORATORIES, INC.

W. Richard McDonald, Consulting Metallurgist

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DAWSON METALLURGICAL LABORATORIES, INC.

P. O. Box 7685 5217 Major Street Murray, Utah 84107 Phone: 801-262-0922

PROJECT NO.	P-1045-J		
DATE _	8/28/85	7	· ·
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